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In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assigns to Harry W. Sarkas and Jonathan Piepenbrink, at Nanophase Technologies Corporation,1319 Marquette Drive, Romeoville, IL 60446, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned disclosed in said application for patent of the United States and identified by the above title in the law office of WILDMAN, HARROLD, ALLEN & DIXON and other filing particulars, and in any and all other corresponding applications or inventors certificates, including foreign, which the undersigned or the assignee may file, either solely or jointly with others, on said invention or improvements, and in any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries, which may be obtained from any of said applications, and in any reissue, division, continuation or extension of such patents or applications.

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